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the personalization parameters file into each of the plurality of operating system APIs; and

a post-operating system installation module for executing the plurality of operating system APIs to configure the operating system with the plurality of personalization parameters. 5

15. A computer program product encoded with computer readable program means for use in automatically providing an operating system with personalization parameters to allow the operating system to configure itself therewith, the computer readable program means comprising: 10

a first program means to allow a user to populate a personalization parameters file with personalization parameters;

a graphical user interface means for displaying a list of personalization parameters in the personalization 15

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parameters file and allowing selection of a group of personalization parameters therefrom; and

a first editing means for placing at least a portion of the selected group of personalization parameters in an operating system configuration file used by the operating system to configure itself.

16. The computer program product of claim **15** further including:

a second program means for configuring the operating system with personalization parameters after installation of the operating system; and

a second editing means for editing the first program means to include a second portion of the selected group of personalization parameters.

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